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In re the Application of:

Hall et al.

Application No.: 09/441,966

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For: A Method For Accelerating the
Rate of Mucociliary Clearance

Examiner: Steadman, David J.

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Confirmation No.: 5234

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 2, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2002, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application identified above in view of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

1. Please replace the title with the following: "Method for Accelerating the Rate of Mucociliary Clearance Using a Kunitz-Type Serine Protease Inhibitor."

2. On page 71, please replace the paragraph at lines 15-28 with the following paragraph:

Stable production cell lines that secrete high quantities of bikunin were developed by transfecting CHO (dhfr-) cells with the expression vector shown in Figure 27. The vector was constructed using standard recombinant DNA